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- *My SW Year in Review was on VOA New Year's Day; a longer version at <http://www.worldofradio.com/audiomid.html> plus full text
- *Also at WOR site, Oklahoma Broadcasting News for 2002, <http://www.worldofradio.com/>
- *DX Programs, updated: <http://www.worldofradio.com/dxpgms.html>
- *Contributions to WOR now accepted via PayPal to wghauser@hotmail.com or ghauser@hotmail.com
- *Deutsche Welle confirms will cease English to Pacific, and to North America from end of March; discussion ensued like that about BBCWS; to save 250K Euros by cancelling English to North America
- *German TV paychannel in US is far from breaking even
- *I decry all-or-nothing approach; reduced times and frequencies to North America would be adequate
- *But DW website says English service to be expanded, news every hour on the hour, and two editions of Newslink daily to North America
- *DW just added to WRN satellite/internet schedule, replacing SRI
- *Bayerischer Rundfunk did not close 6085; now with all-news service B5 Aktuell
- *Yugoslavia changed name to Serbia-Montenegro, but R. Yugoslavia has not yet changed; S&M has negative connotations in English
- *IRRS upgraded SW facilities, powers 10 to 500 kW from Europe, but relay sites kept top secret; what's the point, losing its identity
- *BBCWS in English heard on more Norwegian frequencies. This is just the Norwegian domestic all-news channel which carries BBC at certain times in English, in turn simulcast on SW, not R. Norway
- *Laser Radio, UK, via Latvia 5935 Sundays, includes media programme during first hour at 1800
- *FEBA will close SW station in Seychelles by end of this year, transferring programming to other sites; nothing said about previous report that housing development is getting too close for comfort to transmitter site
- *Destitute Djibouti and US aid, including VOA station under construction:
<http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?file=/chronicle/archive/2002/12/28/MN108493.DTL>
- *V. of the Eritrean People, new opposition station, not yet heard on supposed schedule; has anyone heard it?
- *Caller to Talk to America from R. Kahuzi, Congo DR, confirms it is active on 6210
- *R. Lesotho has reactivated its only SW frequency 4800
- *R. UNAMSIL, Sierra Leone, presumed heard on 6139.1 if separable
- *R. Veritas, Liberia heard by several on 5470, but beware of Peru and another station on this far out-of-band frequency
- *Midpoint of WOR 1164, P O Box 1684, Enid, OK 73702 USA, where it's over 70 degrees in early January and the window is open. E-mail: [woradio at yahoo.com](mailto:woradio@yahoo.com)

- *Thanks this week for financial support go to Brock Whaley
- *As of Jan 1, R. Gazeta, Brasil, relaying Catholic station Cancao Nova instead of de-religifying as previously planned
- *Rdif. Huancabamba, Peru, 6536, heard until 0230* and 0102* Owner said had been off due to sabotage by rival political group
- *Rdif. Nacional de Colombia, formerly on SW, has fired many of its staff to modernize what's left of the station
- *Like to monitor Venezuela, but no longer dozens of stations on tropical band. R. Tachira still active but irregular on 4830; Ecos del Torbes not heard on 4980 for many weeks
- *Barbados columnist calls for news station on SW from there
- *R. Habana's DX program in Spanish, En Contacto, reconfirmed Sun 2135 on 15230, Mon 0135 on same, also try 9600; scheduled also Sun 1335
- *New Democrat on FCC, Jonathan Adelstein opposes Republican drive for media concentration
- *New WMQM, 1600, Memphis, 50 kW day, has a DX report from Florida, sunset 2315, sunrise 1315 in January
- *KVAN, 1550, Vancouver WA raised power to 50 kW day, 12.5 night, KPAM 860 on same towers with 50/5; inevitable complaints from neighbors about interference to appliances
- *Amarillo has two MW stations audible off-frequency: KPUR on 1439.7 and KTNX 1009.8, both with lots of sports
- *Special event KM1CC, Jan 11-19, marks another Marconi anniversary; site on Cape Cod open to the public 9-5 EST
- *Eye-opening story in DXLD 3-003 under Newfoundland about why MW stations are reluctant to QSL
- *Sa'udi businessman hopes to launch major media projects to present true picture of Islam, including radio station in English
- *More on windstorm damage to Israeli curtain antennas; have to use log periodics instead, and frequency changes at 2000
- *New clandestine for northern Iran, V. of Southern Azerbaijan, supposed to start Jan 8, Wed and Thu only at 1630 on 9570, but nothing was audible; to become daily in Feb
- *V. of Maldives heard in English at 1200 on <http://www.vom.gov.mv>
- *Nick Grace calls for stepped up psyops against North Korea
- *Ohio University correspondent calls for R. Free Asia on MW to NK, since few North Koreans have SW radios; ``if you can arrange wars, surely you can arrange signal towers``
- *SE Asian quagmire: three countries using 7145 at 1300: Laos, Thailand, Vietnam
- *Guam SW stations back on the air; see reports by Larry Fields, in recent DXLDs; military communications facility at Barrigada suffered greater damage
- *AWR resumed Guam Jan 3, dropped temp relays via Taiwan Jan 5
- *KTWR back on by Dec 29
- *HCJB Australia inaugural broadcast Jan 5 at 0700 on 11755, but heavy interference from Finland; HCJB started with only 13 kW but

should find a better frequency; to Asia 1230-1730 by Jan 12, 15480
will also have co-channel interference
*Drastic solar activity drop in early Jan
*Propagation outlook from Boulder Jan. 7; flux range 145-175-115
*So concludes WOR 1164; Glenn Hauser inviting you back for 1165 ###